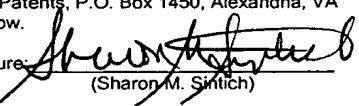


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Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed July 12, 2004, in which all pending claims 62-99 were variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§ 101 and 102. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested in light of the following amendment and remarks. This response is timely filed with a petition and fee for three-months extension of time.

Amendments to the Specification begin at page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.